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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Original Declaration, executed by the inventor;
- 2. An original executed Power of Attorney from Assignee; and
- 3. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) with a copy of the Assignment attached; and
- 4. One (1) return postcard.

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